NEWSLETTER OF THE

STMA Women of Today

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Our Garden in Bloom

Hi everyone,

I hope everyone is still doing fine with Covid -19. I would like to thank the 15 ladies that made it to the meeting and wore there purple tops. And to the other ladies that didn't make it, we missed you.

We are planning to have our Christmas Party on December 8. at Liberty. Please bring a exchange gift to pass a around and wear your Christmas tops. If anyone would like to do a cookie exchange let me know. Come and join us, It will be fun.

Just a reminder that our theme for next month is to bring a nighty you wore when you got married or what you wear now. Put it in a brown paper bag. We will see who guesses the most to win a gift.

Hope to see a lot of you at the next meeting.

Kathy





Emphasis Month: November

R&R (MN); Buckets of Sunshine (US); Extensions (US); Domestic Violence Awareness (US)

\$\$\$ Serves you Right will go up to 50 cents a meeting starting at the January 2021 general meeting as requested by members. **\$\$\$**



Find information at https://wishesandmore.org/event/personalized-santa-videos/

The Perfect Unique & FUN gift for the holidays!

Santa Claus needs to stay healthy for his important season of gift-giving, so he'll be keeping his distance leading into the holiday season; but he's still setting aside time for his friends at Wishes & More to film Personalized Santa Video Messages to kids, families or groups of any size! This unique and personalized gift is something that kids (and adults) will be sharing and re-watching as the excitement of the Christmas Season grows. With every order, we will send a questionnaire with a few questions to personalize the Virtual Santa Message, and make it an extra special opportunity for the recipient to know that Santa knows if they've been naughty or nice.

It's not just for kids! We'll create a special Santa shout out for your company team who's worked hard throughout the year; or perhaps bring a smile to the face of a friend or loved one with a special gift from St. Nick!

Be creative ... everyone loves Santa Claus!

Virtual Santa Visit Cost:

Message to one individual – \$25 One video addressing up to Four Individuals – \$50

(\$15 for each additional person / mention)

Deadlines for submissions:

All payments and questionnaires must be completed and delivered to Wishes & More by December 15th. Videos will be emailed to recipients (with purchaser bcc'ed) no later than December 23rd.

Across

- 1. Who is our wellness and personal development officer
- 2. Who is our membership VP officer
- 3. Who is the programming VP officer
- 4. Who is our public relations officer
- 5. How many states are in WT
- 6. Which is the newest state
- 7. Who is the extension officer
- 8. Who is our parliamentarian
- 9. What does the R in ROAR stand for
- 10. What does the R in ROAR stand for
- 11. Who is our DVA officer

12. Financial, marketing, by-laws are some of our_____

Down

- 1. What does DVA stand for
- 2. Giving to the community
- 3. Who is our secretary officer
- 4. Who is the chairman of board
- 5. What town did WT
- 6. WT focuses on personal development, leadership training and _____
- 7. US WT president
- 8. What does the A in ROAR stand for
- 9. Who is our treasurer officer
- 10. What does the O in ROAR stand for
- 11. What is SIP
- 12. How many years has WT been as organization

From Kathy

When you work on the cross word puzzle?

Some of the answers will be on the USWT staff sheet.

The first person who texted me back the cross word puz-

zle with the right answers will get a gift at the next mtg.

Good Luck everyone

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from the kitchen of Abbi Pumpkin Crunch Recipe from https://www.foodland.com/recipe/pumpkin-crunch-recipe

Ingredients

1 can pumpkin (15oz) 1 package yellow cake mix 1 can evaporated milk (12oz) 3 large eggs 1 cup sugar 1 teaspoon ground cinnamon 1/2 teaspoon salt 1 cup chopped pecans 1 cup butter



Instructions

- 1. Grease bottom of 9x13 pan, placing a piece of parchment or wax paper on the bottom of the pan.
- 2. Combine pumpkin, milk, eggs, sugar, cinnamon, and salt in large bowl.
- 3. Mix well, pour into pan, and sprinkle cake mix evenly over pumpkin mixture.
- 4. Top with pecans, drizzle melted butter over top, and bake 350 degrees for 50-55 minutes or until ge
- 5. When cool, loosen pumpkin crunch from side of pan with a knife.
- 6. Invert pan onto platter (the top becomes the crust). Top with whipped cream.

<u>Apple Bars</u>	from the kitchen of Kris						
<u>Crust:</u>							
2 1/2 cups flour	Cut lard into flour, mix in egg mixture						
1 tsp salt	Roll 1/2 dough out on floured surface and put on cookie sheet						
1 cup lard							
1 egg yolk (beat little) add milk to make 2/3 cup							
Cover crust with: 1 cup corn flakes							
Peel and slice apples. Put single layer of apples on top of corn flakes							
Sprinkle with 3/4 to 1 cup sugar and cinnamon							
Cover with top crust and seal edges together							
Beat egg white and brush on crust							
Bake 20 minutes a	ut 350						

Glaze:

1/2 cup powdered sugar 3-4 tsp milk

Mix together and drizzle over bars



Pumpkin Bars

2 c sugar 1 Large can Pumpkin 1 c oil 4 eggs 1 tsp Vanilla 2 tsp baking powder 2 tsp baking soda 2 tsp salt 2 tsp cinnamon 2 c flour

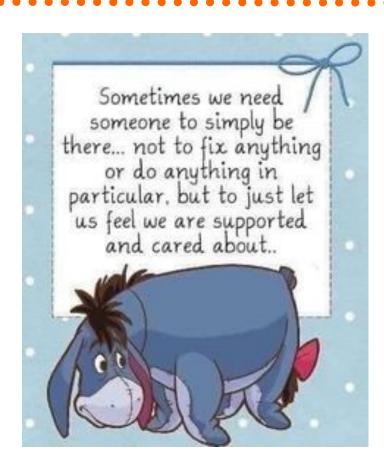
Cream Cheese Frosting

1 pk Powder sugar 1 stick of butter 1 tbls vanilla 8 oz cream cheese

Milk as needed

Spray pan

350 / 30 min Use Libby Pumpkin mix in a can. Not Libby pumpkin with a mix From the kitchen of Kathy





MEALS ON WHEELS 763-497-8900 SERVING OUR COMMUNITY WHEN WE NEED IT MOST!

The Crow River Senior Center is the Meals on Wheels Site for Albertville, Hanover & St. Michael. If you know of a senior 60 and over that needs this service, please share this information with them. The cost is \$4.50 per meal. Meals are delivered by volunteers Tuesday through Friday and are prepared by the River Inn of Hanover. Currently we are delivering to over 90 participants.

The Meals on Wheels program is available for those seniors in need of a hot fresh meal unable to prepare for themselves and are homebound. Especially during Stay Safe MN statewide restriction we are here to help fill the need. Meals on Wheels is an essential program that will keep running. If you are in need please call right away to get signed up. It's quick to get signed up and is for any senior 60 and over. *If there is a financial hardship please call me; we have a program that may work for you.*

Please call and speak to Vonnie at 763-497-8936 or email for information at vwaters@crowriverseniorcenter.com.

We are always looking for more delivery drivers. Please inquire if you are interested. Just one day per month delivering helps a great deal.

"One person can make a difference, and everyone should try."

-John F. Kennedy

Meals on Wheels

We deliver smiles

Crow River Senior Center 763-497-8900

If you know of a Senior 60+ Please share with them the "Meals on Wheels" program For our area if you think they would be interested.

ALSO, please call Vonnie at the Senior Center if you have time available to be a meals on wheels delivery driver.

Since the beginning of March they have seen a huge increase of need for meals to be delivered, just one day per month delivering helps a great deal.....





Daisy Award winners: September winner is Lori October winner is Jan



Wearing purple to the October general meeting to support Domestic Violence Awareness



St. Michael-Albertville

Women of Today

General Meeting Minutes October 13, 2020

Let Our Members Grow Like Flowers

Call to Order@ 7:00 pm

Pledge of Allegiance- Heather Pomeroy

MN Women of Today Creed- Robin Johnson

We, The women of Today, are Service, Growth, and Fellowship. We believe that through us great lessons can be learned, worthy deeds performed, and a hand of fellowship extended to millions of women everywhere. May we leave the world a better place because we lived and served within it.

Ice Breaker- What is your favorite costume at Halloween?

Orders of the Day/Establish Quorum-Abbi

Present: 15 Members: Kathy Hansen, Chris Bacon, Abbi Baker, Joanna Bolduc, Sara Caron, Jan Cera, Julie Davis, Jackie Fields, Kris Goodin, Lori Gourtermont, Nicole Jockisch, Robin Johnson, Heather Pomeroy, Sherri Streff and Candi Testa

A Quorum has been established.

Guest Speaker-Teresa McNamee is the Executive Director of Rivers of Hope, Monticello. She was not able to make it to our Meeting.

Officers Reports-

Parli-

- 2020-2021 State Delegate(needed)
- Up Date on P.O.A. -Bobbi -available online Thank You Bobbi Abbi received an email from Bobbi

Treasurer- Nicole

- Report Nicole passed out her report and went over details.
- As of the general meeting date, 19 Refunds had been requested totaling \$1,505 due to Craft Show canceling for this year. Vendors

have until October 22nd to get in on the first round of refunds. Refund checks will be processed on Sunday, October 25th

Candi suggested that we get together to re-do Budget because of the Craft Show Cancellation. Candi further explained that it looks like we truly have \$10,000 in our budget if we don't count the money collected for a future Craft Show.

It was decided that the Re-budget Meeting will be on 11/1/20 at 12 noon at Jan's house. People attending will be: Candi Testa, Lori Gourtermont, Kathy Hansen, Nicole Jockisch and Jan Cera

\$200 from external misc for STMA Drama Club M/S/P Julie DavisLori Gourtemont

Secretary- Jan

- October Birthdays- Maria E Blundo 10/9 card sent out
- Any changes or corrections to the September Minutes? No changes or additions to the September Minutes.

September Minutes were approved

State Delegate- Open

• fill out participation book

Membership- Jackie

• Renewals 2nd Tri: 11 Members are up for renewals. So far, 5 have paid. 2 Members dropped. Jackie has called and sent messages to everyone that needs to renew.

New member Orientation - Trudy Mace needs an orientation - but she has not paid the dues yet.

Book Club- 10/27 Lori or Julie last meeting - 5 members attended.

Next Meeting is at Gretchen's house. The Book is the Desert Flower. Members are encouraged to attend even if they have not read the Book.

Programming VP – Julie

- Living and Learning- open
- Community Connections-Chris B- nothing happening
- Senior center, meals on wheels-Candi they are in need of Volunteer Drivers to deliver meals - contact Vonnie - 763-497-8936 to volunteer

• Priority Project-(Wishes & More)-Abbi. Items for drawing - Painted decorative Pumpkin and Harvest Plaque - Chris Bacon won. \$30 was collected.

Abbi informed us that Wishes and More are trying to raise money by doing Videos from Santa - costs are \$25 for 1 person, \$50 - up to 4 people and \$15 for each additional

They are also collecting Stickers- let her know if you want to donate

- Priority Area-Crescent Cove, Won
- Women's Wellness-open
- Youth of Today- Sherri S

FYCC Halloween Event is on Saturday, 10/24/20 Jan passed around a sign up sheet and was able to get enough volunteers

- Newsletter-Kris G / needs articles by 10/18 It was suggested at our Board Meeting that we could send in our Favorite Thanksgiving recipes for the Newsletter
- Records Management- Bobbi F

Public Relations-Abbi & Julie - the meeting location needs to be changed to Liberty Restaurant

Jan Cera brought up a possible Membership Event. Two places were discussed: Color City - Albertville Mall and Artistic Me in Buffalo.

After discussion - the Group liked Color City - you paint your own Ceramics They have a wide variety of prices (\$2 - \$90). There is a \$8 Studio Fee. No other cost except the cost of the Ceramic piece you choose.

They have tables that hold 4 people - but they can put tables together if we want. They also have a Party room if we have a lot of people.

I spoke to the owner's Daughter and she said her mom will do Fundraisers. I still need to get the details on that.

It was suggested that Saturday, 11/21/20 would be a good day since the Craft Show is cancelled.

Candi asked if any of the Members were involved with other nonprofits? She wanted to know what other non-profits were doing to fundraise?

Robin Johnson said that her other group also had to cancel their big Fundraising event.

Sherri Streff's company is raising money for several causes.

Nicole Jockish suggested that we look for things we can do where we just have to volunteer our time. At the Board Meeting, it was brought up that places like Chipotle will assist groups in Fundraising. We need someone to do some research about this.



Let Our Members Grow Like Flowers

President-Kathy

Board meeting Wednesday11/4 changed because of voting.

Awards- Sunflower Award & Daisy Award

September Daisy Award - Lori Goutermont October Daisy Award - Jan Cera

Thank you everyone for coming to our meeting tonight. As of right now we will be having our General Meeting next month here at Liberty.

Serves You Right- Jackie - Sherri suggested that we change the amount collected per Member to \$.50. It was decided that we make the change in January 2021

Total in Kitty - \$18.50 - Jan Cera won

Kathy Hansen brought up the Christmas Party. Several ideas were talked about: Cookie Exchange, Bring a \$10 wrapped Gift. We can further discuss at the next meeting. It was decided to hold the Christmas Party at Liberty Restaurant.

Good and Welfare

Abbi just got an article published in a Chemistry Teacher publication

Sara Caron's daughter got married.

Sherri Streff is celebrating her Wedding Anniversary

<u>US Women of Today Creed</u> - Joanna Bolduc

We, The United States Women of Today, are dedicated to serving our community and nation, are committed to strengthening our individual talents, and stand united by our friendship and belief in the future.

Adjourn@ 8:24 pm

COLOR CITY – ALBERTVILLE OUTLET MALL

We are going to have a Fundraiser Membership Event at Color City. You can paint your own ceramic pieces there.

The Event is taking place on Saturday, November 21^{st} (it was the date for the Craft Show). The Event will take place between 10 am – 2 pm. It takes less than 2 hours to create a piece – so you can stop in anytime during that time.

There is an \$8.00 Studio Fee per person. The only other cost is the cost of the ceramic piece you pick. There is a wide range of prices from \$2 - \$90. That covers the cost for everything you will need – paints and brushes.

After you are done painting, Color City will keep your piece to fire it. This usually takes about a week and you will get a date to pick it up.

For safety, they have tables that hold 4 people. We can ask to put some tables together if we want. They have a Party Room available if we get a lot of people.

They ask that you wear a mask if you are walking around but it is optional when you are at your table.

Here is how the Fundraiser works. Color City will give our Organization the \$8.00 Studio Fee per person. So, the more people we have come, the better it will be for our budget!



Seeds of Encouragement

Congrats to Lori G. for September Daisy Award. -Kathy
Congrats to Jan C for October Daisy Award. -Kathy
Congrats to Jan C for winning Serves you Right. -Kathy
Hope to see Patty at our next meeting. -Kathy
I'm so proud of my Board, They are doing a great job. -Kathy
Save the Date for December 8th Our Christmas Party, at the Liberty Restaurant. -Kathy

